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Enclosed are the following documents:

Renewed Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47
Exhibits G and H
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Respectfully submitted,



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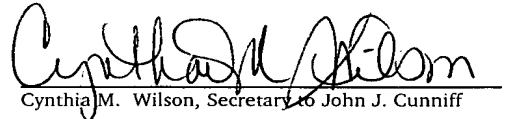
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RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.47

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Sir:

The Applicant's petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) was denied in the Decision Under 37 CFR 1.47, mailed on February 25, 2003. The Legal Examiner found that it was not clear that the non-signing inventor refused to execute the declaration after he was presented with a copy of the declaration and a complete copy of the international application. The petition was also refused because the petition does not include an explicit statement of non-signing joint inventor Satyendra Kumar's last known address. The Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

The Applicants call the Legal Examiner's attention to previously submitted Exhibits D and E. Both of these exhibits are letters to non-signing joint inventor Satyendra Kumar, and both letters ask him to re-read the application and sign the Declaration, indicating that Dr. Kumar had been provided with a copy of the application. Additionally, the undersigned attorney sent an additional letter on March 12, 2003, via certified mail, to the last known address of Dr. Satyendra Kumar, 1981

Crossfield Circle, Kent, Ohio 44240. A copy of the letter is attached as Exhibit G. In the letter, the undersigned attorney expressly requested that Dr. Kumar review the enclosed international application and sign the enclosed Declaration. No response to this letter has been received.

Therefore, joint inventors Liang-Chy Chien and Jae-Hoon Kim renew their petition to make this application on their own behalf and on behalf of the non-signing inventor under 37 CFR 1.47(a). A filing date is necessary to make a claim for priority from International Application Number PCT/US00/24025 filed September 1, 2000 and claiming priority of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Number 60/152,430 filed September 3, 1999. A diligent effort to prepare the application and obtain the inventor's signature thereon was made.

Accompanying the enclosed renewed petition are Exhibits G and H.

Respectfully submitted,



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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 10/070,396 entitled
"Fabrication of Aligned Liquid Crystal Cell/Film By
Simultaneous Alignment and Phase Separation" claiming
priority of Provisional Application No. 60/152,140 and
PCT/US00/24025

Dear Satyen:

As you already know, we have proceeded with filing the above referenced application in spite of your refusal to execute the corresponding Declaration and Power of Attorney document. Our previous petition to the Patent Office to proceed without your signature has been denied. We will be appealing that decision, but your lack of cooperation in this regard is greatly jeopardizing the prospects of obtaining a patent for your invention.

In order to avoid the added costs and delays associated with prosecuting the application without your signature, I request that you review the enclosed international application, and sign the Declaration and Power of Attorney and the Assignment, both of which are also enclosed, and return them to my attention in the enclosed envelope by no later than **March 28, 2002**. If you have any questions regarding the signing of these papers, please give me a call.

Best regards,


John J. Cuniff

Enclosures

cc: Mr. Gregory B. Wilson

EXHIBIT G

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